

(b) Such maximum speed limits shall be effective in, to and on the respective streets, drives, roads or public ways, or parts thereof, set forth in this section when appropriate signs giving notice thereof shall have been erected by the department.

(Code 1968, § 46-109; Ord. No. 68-433, §§ 1-3, 3-20-68)

**Secs. 45-94-45-110. Reserved.**

## **ARTICLE VI. STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING GENERALLY**

### **Sec. 45-111. Parking for certain purposes prohibited.**

No person shall park a vehicle upon any roadway for the principal purpose of:

- (1) Displaying such vehicle for sale.
- (2) Washing, greasing, or repairing such vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency.

(Code 1968, § 46-122)

### **Sec. 45-112. Blocking roadways.**

No person shall park any vehicle upon a street or alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten (10) feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.

(Code 1968, § 46-123)

### **Sec. 45-113. Parking or standing on left side of one-way roadway.**

In the event a highway includes two (2) or more separate roadways and traffic is restricted to one (1) direction upon any such roadway, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the left-hand side of such one-way roadway, unless signs are erected to permit such standing or parking. The traffic engineer is authorized to determine when standing or parking may be permitted upon the left-hand side of any such one-way roadway and to erect signs giving notice thereof.

(Code 1968, § 46-125)

### **Sec. 45-114. Cut-back curb sections for parking—Consent required to cut curb.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to cut back any curb in front of any place or establishment for the purpose of providing individual parking space or parking space for the use of customers of such person without the consent of the city council.

(Code 1968, § 46-126)

### **Sec. 45-115. Same—Method of parking.**

(a) Within authorized cut-back curb sections, parking may be at an angle to the curb, but in no event shall any portion of a parked vehicle extend more than six (6) feet into the roadway from the curb line as it would exist in the absence of such a cut-back.

(b) The traffic engineer is authorized to prohibit angle parking in any curb cut-back when, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, it is determined that such practice is hazardous or dangerous to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(Code 1968, § 46-127)

### **Sec. 45-116. Parking prohibitions and restrictions on specific streets generally.**

(a) When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets so signed.

(b) When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle between the hours designated by such signs on any day, unless otherwise designated.

(c) When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle between the hours specified on such signs on any day, unless otherwise designated.

(d) When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than the specified period at any time between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day, except Sundays and legal holidays.

(e) The provisions of this section prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all

times or at those times herein specified or as indicated on official signs, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic-control device.

(f) The provisions of this section imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.  
(Code 1968, § 46-128)

#### **Sec. 45-117. Parking on narrow streets.**

(a) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon any street when the width of the roadway does not exceed 20 feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs, when the width of the roadway does not exceed 30 feet.

(b) When official signs prohibiting parking are erected upon narrow streets as authorized herein, no person shall park a vehicle upon any such street in violation of any such sign.  
(Code 1968, § 46-129)

#### **Sec. 45-118. Parking adjacent to schools.**

(a) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon either or both sides of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in his opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.

(b) When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon either side of a street adjacent to any school property as authorized herein, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place.  
(Code 1968, § 46-130)

#### **Sec. 45-119. Stopping, standing or parking near hazardous or congested places.**

(a) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized to determine and designate, by proper signs, places in which the stopping, standing or parking of

vehicles would create an especially hazardous condition or would cause unusual delay to traffic.

(b) When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places as authorized herein, no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any such designated place.  
(Code 1968, § 46-131)

#### **Sec. 45-120. Parking in excess of twenty-four hours.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly leave parked or standing in any public street, alley or other public place any vehicle for a longer continuous period of time than 24 hours.  
(Code 1968, § 46-133)

#### **Sec. 45-121. Parking on restricted city property.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park, or leave unattended, or drive a vehicle into or upon any property owned and controlled by the city and restricted to use by authorized persons and vehicles only, without first obtaining permission in writing to do so from the proper city officer, agent or employee, authorized by the city council to give such permission. The director of the department to which such property is inventoried is hereby authorized to restrict the use of such property only to persons and vehicles authorized in writing by such director to use such property.

(b) All property of the city that has been restricted, either by the city council or by its duly authorized agent, to use by authorized persons and vehicles only, shall be designated by appropriate and conspicuous signs posted at all vehicular entrances thereto, and such signs shall advise that the property is restricted to authorized persons and vehicles only, that all other vehicles will be towed or driven away, that the driver of any illegally parked vehicle shall be subject to a fine up to \$200.00. The department to which such property is inventoried shall cause such signs to be prepared and posted. The city shall incur no liability for damage caused to any such vehicle by such removal and the owner, by permitting his vehicle to be placed on such property, thereby impliedly waives claim for any damages thereto that may be caused by such towing and storage.

(c) In addition to any other penalty provided for such violation, any vehicle parked, left unattended or driven upon any such restricted property of the city without permission from the proper authority having been first obtained in the manner above provided, is hereby declared to be an obstruction, and shall be subject to being towed or driven away by, or at the direction of any person designated by the head of the department to which such property is inventoried, or any city policeman, to a place of impoundment in the manner provided by law.

(Code 1968, § 46-134)

**Charter reference**—Penalty for ordinance violation, Art. II, § 12.

**Cross references**—Assessment of fines against corporations, § 16-76; payment of fines, § 16-78; credit against fines for incarceration, § 35-6 et seq.

**Sec. 45-122. Vehicles on parking lots not to protrude over property line.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person who operates, keeps or maintains, or causes to be operated, kept or maintained, a parking lot where automobiles or other vehicles are parked on private property adjacent to public streets or sidewalks to permit any automobile or vehicle parked thereon to be parked in such a manner so as to protrude over the property line of such parking lot or to obstruct in any manner any public street or sidewalk adjacent to such private property.

(b) Reserved.

(Code 1968, § 46-135; Ord. No. 95-81, § 3, 1-25-95)

**Charter reference**—Penalty for ordinance violation, Art. II, § 12.

**Cross references**—Assessment of fines against corporations, § 16-76; payment of fines, § 16-78; credit against fines for incarceration, § 35-6 et seq.

**Sec. 45-123. Time limit for trailer parking.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to leave, stand or park a trailer, semi-trailer, pole trailer or house trailer, either attached or unattached to a motor vehicle, on the public streets of the city for a period of time in excess of two hours.

(Code 1968, § 46-136)

**Sec. 45-124. Parking of commercial vehicles prohibited between certain hours.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or stand any commercial vehicle on or upon the

streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. except during the act of loading or unloading as provided for in this article.

(Code 1968, § 46-137)

**Sec. 45-125. Designation of curb loading zones.**

The traffic engineer is hereby authorized to determine the location of curb loading zones and shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the same and stating the hours during which the provisions of this section are applicable.

(Code 1968, § 46-138)

**Sec. 45-126. Parking in truck loading zones.**

(a) *Definition.* For purposes of this section, "commercial vehicle" shall mean a truck or other vehicle that either displays a valid permit issued pursuant to subsection (d) of this section or upon which the name, logo, or other designation of the person owning or operating the vehicle is painted or otherwise permanently affixed to the vehicle in letters or markings at least two inches in height.

(b) *Use, generally.* It shall be unlawful for any person to either (i) park any vehicle other than a commercial vehicle in any truck loading zone designated by the city during the posted hours of operation for the truck loading zone, or (ii) during the hours described in item (i) above to utilize a truck loading zone for any purpose other than expeditiously loading or unloading property, goods or merchandise from a commercial vehicle. In addition to any applicable fine or penalty, any vehicle parked in violation of this section shall be subject to being towed at the direction of any law enforcement officer or parking enforcement officer.

(c) *Permit or fee required.* It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in any truck loading zone during posted hours of operation without either (i) displaying a current and valid commercial vehicle parking permit issued and utilized pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, or (ii) paying the metered fee provided in subsection (f) of this section.

(d) *Commercial vehicle parking permit.* Permits that authorize the parking of a commercial vehicle in a truck loading zone during the posted hours of operation of the zone without payment of the meter fee prescribed by subsection (f) of this section shall be issued by the director of public works and engineering or his designee as provided in this subsection. All permits shall be registered to a specific commercial vehicle, shall be transferable only as provided in this section, and must be conspicuously displayed so as to be easily visible to any person passing such vehicle on the street or sidewalk while the commercial vehicle is parked in any truck loading zone. Any failure to display a permit shall create the presumption that no permit for the vehicle exists. Permits shall be issued as follows:

- (1) *Class A permit.* A Class A permit will be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance and shall be transferable to any other commercial vehicle operated by the permittee upon prior notice in a manner prescribed by the director. The annual fee for a Class A permit will be \$1,200.00. A commercial vehicle with a Class A truck loading zone permit may be parked in a truck loading zone or, where such zones are unavailable or occupied, parked utilizing one or two metered automobile parking spaces without payment of the usual meter fee as required elsewhere in this chapter for such spaces. A commercial vehicle with a Class A permit may be parked for a period not to exceed two consecutive hours at one time.
- (2) *Class B permit.* A Class B permit will be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance and shall be transferable to any other commercial vehicle operated by the permittee upon prior notice in a manner prescribed by the director. The annual fee for a Class B permit will be \$300.00. A commercial vehicle with a Class B permit may be parked in a truck loading zone for a period not to exceed one hour at one time.
- (3) *Class C permit.* A Class C permit will be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance and shall be transferable to

any other commercial vehicle operated by the permittee upon prior notice in a manner prescribed by the director. The annual fee for a Class C permit will be \$150.00. A commercial vehicle with a Class C permit may be parked in a truck loading zone for a period not to exceed 30 minutes at one time.

- (4) *Class D permit.* A Class D permit will be valid for a period not to exceed 21 consecutive days. The fee for a Class D permit will be \$25.00. A commercial vehicle with a Class D permit may be parked in a truck loading zone for a period not to exceed one hour at one time. Only one Class D permit per commercial vehicle may be issued within a 12-month period.
- (5) *Class E permit.* A Class E permit will be valid only for the date and time period set forth in the permit which must be visibly and conspicuously displayed on the permitted commercial vehicle at all times the vehicle is parked as allowed by such permit. The fee for a Class E permit shall be based upon a rate of \$5.00 per hour per loading zone, passenger car parking space or, where no such zones or spaces exist, each 20 linear feet of curb occupied, multiplied by the number of hours requested for parking and shall be paid in advance without refund in the event of use of the permit for a lesser time than requested. A commercial vehicle with a Class E permit may be parked in any "no parking" or "tow away" zone but shall not be parked at any time in any fire or handicap zone, driveway or HOV lane. Class E permits shall be issued at the sole discretion of the traffic engineer.

(e) *Compliance with other laws.* Except as allowed by a Class A or Class E permit, a permit issued under this section shall not excuse compliance with applicable laws, and a commercial vehicle parked in any metered automobile parking space remains subject to any "no parking" and "tow-away zone" restrictions applicable to the parking space. Additionally, a permit does not

excuse the requirement that the commercial vehicle must be expeditiously loaded or unloaded at all times while parked under this section.

(f) *Parking fee.* As an alternative to obtaining a permit, the operator of a commercial vehicle may park the vehicle in a truck loading zone space or spaces during posted hours of operation for the zone by paying a fee of \$5.00 per hour per metered space at the meter or meters for each space utilized in whole or in part for parking the commercial vehicle in that zone, provided that the commercial vehicle is then being expeditiously loaded or unloaded and the meter or meters are not allowed to expire; provided, however, that pending the installation of a meter in a truck loading zone, an unpermitted commercial vehicle may utilize one or more metered passenger vehicle spaces, or portions of such spaces, within the same block face as the unmetered truck loading zone, by paying the metered rates for each space wholly or partially occupied by such vehicle.

(g) *Disposition of fees.* All fees and/or revenues generated from the use of truck loading zones shall be divided evenly between the transportation special revenue fund administered by the public works and engineering department and the police special services fund administered by the police department.

(h) *Area affected.* Unless extended pursuant to subsection (i), this section shall apply only within the central business district.

(i) *Extension to other areas.* Upon application of the traffic engineer demonstrating that public safety and general mobility require the application of the requirements of this section to truck loading zones and parking areas in one or more other areas of the city, the requirements of this section may be extended by motion of the city council to the area(s) identified by the traffic engineer.

(Code 1968, § 46-139; Ord. No. 04-679, § 3, 6-23-04)

#### **Sec. 45-127. Same—Vehicles driven by disabled veterans.**

(a) Disabled veterans who have received specially built automobiles from the Veterans' Administration, and have been issued a card or sticker

by the chief of police to confirm this fact and who display such card or sticker in the lower right hand corner of the windshield, are hereby granted the right to park such automobiles in any truck loading zone in the city for a period not to exceed five minutes.

(b) The special privilege hereby granted is personal to any such veteran only and shall not apply to any other person driving such automobile. The chief of police is authorized and empowered to remove the card or sticker of any veteran who knowingly permits his automobile to be used for parking in a truck loading zone by a person not entitled to such privilege, and upon such removal, such veteran's privilege shall terminate. (Code 1968, § 46-140)

#### **Sec. 45-128. Parking areas for physically handicapped persons.**

(a) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized and directed, pursuant to the provisions and procedures of sections 45-5 through 45-7 of this Code and Art. 6675a-5e.1 Tex. Rev. Civ. Stats. Ann., to designate and establish spaces on the streets of the city and on any property owned or controlled by the city, and the owner or person in control of any other private or public property may similarly designate, and establish spaces thereon for the exclusive use as parking spaces or parking areas for transport vehicles for physically handicapped persons. Such spaces shall be marked with signs in the manner provided by law. Unauthorized use of the said spaces shall be unlawful and shall be punished as provided by Art. 6675a-5e.1 Tex. Rev. Civ. Stats. Ann.

(b) The traffic engineer shall cause the various handicapped parking spaces that are established on the public streets to additionally be marked and designated as towaway zones. Any vehicle parked in a marked towaway zone handicapped parking space that does not display the special handicapped symbol, tab or other device issued in a form prescribed by the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation (or an equivalent symbol issued by another state if the vehicle is not registered in Texas) shall be subject to

towing and impoundment by authority of any police officer of the city in the manner provided in this Code.

(Code 1968, § 46-140.1; Ord. No. 80-3073, § 2, 10-22-80; Ord. No. 89-669, §§ 1, 2, 5-10-89)

**Sec. 45-129. Public carrier stops and zones generally.**

(a) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized and required to establish bus stops, bus zones, and zones for other passenger common-carrier motor vehicles on such public streets in such places and in such number as he shall determine to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public, and every such bus stop, bus zone, or other zone shall be designated by appropriate signs.

(b) The traffic engineer is hereby authorized and directed, pursuant to the procedures of sections 45-5 and 45-7 of this Code, to establish traffic lanes for the exclusive use of passenger buses during specified hours and days. When such lanes are designated by traffic markings and signs, such lanes shall be deemed to have been established in accordance with this subsection and any person operating a motor vehicle, motorcycle or bicycle therein during prohibited times, other than crossing said lanes at intersections, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined as provided in section 1-6 of this Code.

(Code 1968, § 46-141; Ord. No. 75-825, § 1, 5-20-75)

**Cross reference**—Use of designated loading points by suburban buses, § 46-151.

**Sec. 45-130. Taxicab stands.**

(a) The traffic engineer and his authorized assistants are authorized and directed to designate spaces on the streets of the city for the exclusive use as taxicab stands and to mark the same with appropriate signs and to install standard signs to indicate the location of such stands, such locations to be determined after traffic engineering surveys, studies and conclusions.

(b) Taxicab stands shall be designated at or near entrances to principal hotels and passenger depots, such as bus depots, passenger train depots, and airports. Such stands shall be designated by the traffic engineer.

(c) No portion of any street in the city shall be used as a taxicab stand other than the ones prescribed as such by ordinance, unless such taxicab stand is approved as such by the traffic engineer. Any person establishing a taxicab stand in violation of this provision and any person driving a taxicab who uses any such taxicab stand established in violation of this provision shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Code 1968, § 46-142)

**Cross references**—Taxicab stands at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (IAH), § 46-26; designation of taxicab stands at William P. Hobby Airport (HOU), § 46-27.

**Sec. 45-131. Standing and parking of buses.**

(a) The operator of a bus shall not stand or park such vehicle upon any street at any place other than a bus stop or bus zone designated as provided in this article.

(b) The operator of a bus shall not stop such vehicle upon any street at any place for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or their baggage, other than at a bus stop or bus zone designated as provided in this article, except in case of an emergency.

(c) The operator of a bus shall enter a bus stop or bus zone on a public street in such a manner that the bus, when stopped to load or unload passengers or baggage, shall be in a position with the right front wheel of such vehicle not further than 18 inches from the curb, with the bus approximately parallel to the curb so as not to unduly impede the movement of other vehicular traffic.

(Code 1968, § 46-143)

**Sec. 45-132. Standing or parking of taxicabs.**

(a) The operator of a taxicab which is in-service shall not stand or park such vehicle upon any street at any place other than in a taxicab stand designated as provided in this article, and in no case shall the operator of an in-service taxicab leave his vehicle while it is parked at a taxicab stand. This provision shall not prevent the operator of a taxicab from temporarily stopping at any place in accordance with other stop-

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ping or parking regulations for the purpose of and while engaged in the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers.

(b) The operator of any taxicab which is out-of-service shall park his vehicle in conformity with the provisions of this article relating to the parking and standing of motor vehicles generally. In no case shall the operator of a taxicab which is out-of-service park at a taxicab stand.

(c) No driver shall load or unload passengers while his vehicle is out-of-service.

(d) The number of taxicabs occupying a taxicab stand shall not exceed the number designated on the official sign establishing such stand.

(e) As used in this section, a taxicab is "out-of-service" whenever a sign reading "taxi is out-of-service" is affixed to the visor of such taxicab so as to be visible from the outside of the taxicab. Lettering for such a sign shall be at least one-and-a half inches high. A taxicab is "in-service" whenever it is not "out-of-service" in accordance with the foregoing definition.

(Code 1968, § 46-144; Ord. No. 83-894, § 1, 6-14-83)

**Cross references**—Standing, etc., of taxicabs at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (IAH), § 46-26; loading zones, etc., at William P. Hobby Airport (HOU), § 46-27.

#### **Sec. 45-133. Restricted use of bus zones and taxicab stands.**

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus zone, or other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand, when any such zone or stand has been officially designated and appropriately signed, except that the driver of a passenger vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter such zone or stand.

(Code 1968, § 46-145)

#### **Sec. 45-134. Owner and operator responsible for illegal parking.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, having registered in his name or owning or operating or having in charge any vehicle, knowingly to allow

or suffer or permit the same to stop, stand or be parked in any street in the city in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or other ordinances of the city regulating the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles.

(Code 1968, § 46-147)

#### **Sec. 45-135. Use of esplanade, median strip or traffic island.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, operate, leave unattended any animal and/or livestock or park any vehicle on, over or across any esplanade, median strip or traffic island.

(b) In addition to any applicable fine or penalty, any animal and/or livestock left unattended or vehicle parked upon an esplanade, median strip or traffic island in violation of this section shall be subject to being removed or towed at the direction of any law enforcement officer or parking enforcement officer.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any city employee, city contractor or employee thereof, or any person whose duty it is to maintain the esplanade, median strip or traffic island or any equipment thereon.

(Ord. No. 05-1315, § 2, 11-30-05)

#### **Sec. 45-136. Establishment of "tow-away" zones.**

The director is hereby authorized to establish "tow-away zones" in conjunction with no-parking regulations upon any street of the city, and for whatever times his study of such streets shows that an illegally parked vehicle would cause an undue hazard or delay to moving traffic.

(Code 1968, § 46-149; Ord. No. 68-1965, § 1, 12-11-68; Ord. No. 79-1339, § 1, 7-5-78; Ord. No. 79-1214, § 3, 7-25-79)

#### **Sec. 45-137. Large vehicle restrictions.**

Between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., no person shall park or cause to be parked or permit to remain parked any large vehicle upon any street or highway in any residential district.

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(Ord. No. 91-62, § 3, 1-9-91)

**Sec. 45-138. Assimilated offenses.**

The elements of those various offenses that are set forth in articles 6701d and 6675a-5e.1 and any other articles of title 116 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas and that relate to the parking and stopping of vehicles, including any amendments thereto, are adopted as a part of this article by reference. Violations of any of the aforesaid provisions that are adopted by reference shall also constitute city ordinance violations and may be adjudicated as provided in article XVI of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 95-186, § 2, 2-22-95)



**Sec. 45-139. Designation of valet zones.**

(a) Upon application by the owner or tenant of one or more commercial establishments located on a blockface in the central business district, the traffic engineer is hereby authorized to determine whether the location of a valet zone within the blockface is feasible and consistent with sound engineering practices, and, upon so determining, to place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the same and stating the hours during which the provisions of this section are applicable. The traffic engineer shall determine the number of on-street parking spaces required for each valet zone, which shall not exceed three parallel parking spaces; provided that the traffic engineer may authorize the use of additional spaces by a hotel when he determines that traffic conditions and hotel operations warrant. The traffic engineer may authorize more than one valet zone on a blockface only upon determining that special conditions exist relating to the configuration of the blockface or to the land uses located on the blockface and that the operation of more than one valet zone will not adversely affect vehicular and pedestrian traffic. As a condition of designating or renewing designation of a valet zone, the traffic engineer may require holders of and applicants for valet zone designations to cooperate with each other where more than one commercial establishment located on a blockface desires designation of a valet zone.

(b) Each valet zone shall be located in the curbside lane of a roadway; provided, however, that the traffic engineer, upon request, may designate a portion of the roadway adjacent to a curbside that provides angled parking as a valet zone for operation during the hours from 12:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. Each valet zone shall be designated for a period of one year and shall require the payment of an annual fee of an amount set by the city council by motion upon the recommendation of the traffic engineer, plus a one-time fee to cover the city's actual cost of making and installing the signage designating the valet zone. The traffic engineer shall not deny a request for designation without first affording the applicant an opportunity for a hearing.

(c) The traffic engineer upon request by the owner or tenant of property on a blockface and the payment of a fee of \$25.00 may establish a tem-

porary valet zone upon determining that it is consistent with feasible and consistent with sound engineering practices. The temporary valet zone shall allow the operation of valet parking service during a 24-hour period. Upon approval of the temporary valet zone designation, the traffic engineer shall provide appropriate nonpermanent signage to the application, who shall be responsible for placing the signage in the locations determined by the traffic engineer.

(d) Each valet zone is subject to temporary or permanent suspension by the traffic engineer upon determining that the continued operation of the valet zone will interfere with the safe and efficient flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic without refund of any portion of the annual fee. A temporary suspension shall specify the number of days that the valet zone operation is suspended. The holder of a valet zone designation, upon written request made within ten days of receipt of the notice of suspension, shall be afforded an opportunity for a hearing before the director or a hearing officer appointed by the director regarding the permanent suspension of a valet zone or the temporary suspension of a valet zone of more than seven days.

(e) Any hearing authorized by this section shall be conducted in accordance with rules promulgated by the director for that purpose. If the hearing officer denies the request to designate a valet zone or upholds the suspension of a valet zone designation, the applicant for or holder of the valet zone designation shall have the right to appeal the decision to city council pursuant to and subject to compliance with Rule 12 of the Council Rules of Procedure by filing notice of appeal with the city secretary, with a copy to the director, within 15 days of the date the decision is placed in the mail addressed to the applicant or holder. Neither request for a hearing nor appeal of a decision shall act to abate the suspension of a valet zone.

(Ord. No. 03-703, § 7, 7-30-03)

**Secs. 45-140—45-160. Reserved.**